

REMARKS

By the present Amendment, this Application is placed in clear condition for immediate allowance. Specifically, the Title and Abstract have been amended consistent with the Examiner's request. In addition, non-elected claims 12 through 28 have been cancelled without prejudice to Applicants' right to file a Divisional Application directed to the non-elected subject matter. The only pending claims are claims 7 through 11, which claims have been allowed. Accordingly, this Application is in clear condition for immediate allowance. For completeness Applicants will address the issues raised by the Examiner.

Title

The Examiner asserted that the Title is not descriptive and required a new Title. In response the Title has been changed so that it is now directed to the elected and allowed subject matter.

Abstract

The Examiner required a new Abstract limited within the range of 50 to 150 words. In response a new Abstract has been provided consistent with the Examiner's request.

Non-elected claims 12 through 28.

The Examiner requested cancellation of non-elected claims 12 through 28, which have been cancelled, preserving Applicants' right to file a Divisional Application with respect to the non-elected subject matter.

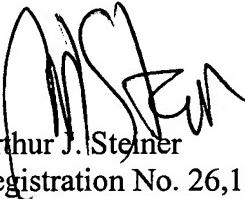
Summary

Applicants acknowledge, with appreciation, the Examiner's allowance of claims 7 through 11, which are the only pending claims. Based upon the foregoing, it should be apparent that the formalistic issues raised by the Examiner have been resolved, and that this application is in clear condition for immediate allowance. Favorable consideration is, therefore, solicited.

To the extent necessary, a petition for an extension of time under 37 C.F.R. 1.136 is hereby made. Please charge any shortage in fees due in connection with the filing of this paper, including extension of time fees, to Deposit Account 500417 and please credit any excess fees to such deposit account.

Respectfully submitted,

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